



# Public Engagement Event #3

## Idlewild Watershed Communities

*Springfield Gardens, Brookville, and Rosedale*

November 13, 2014



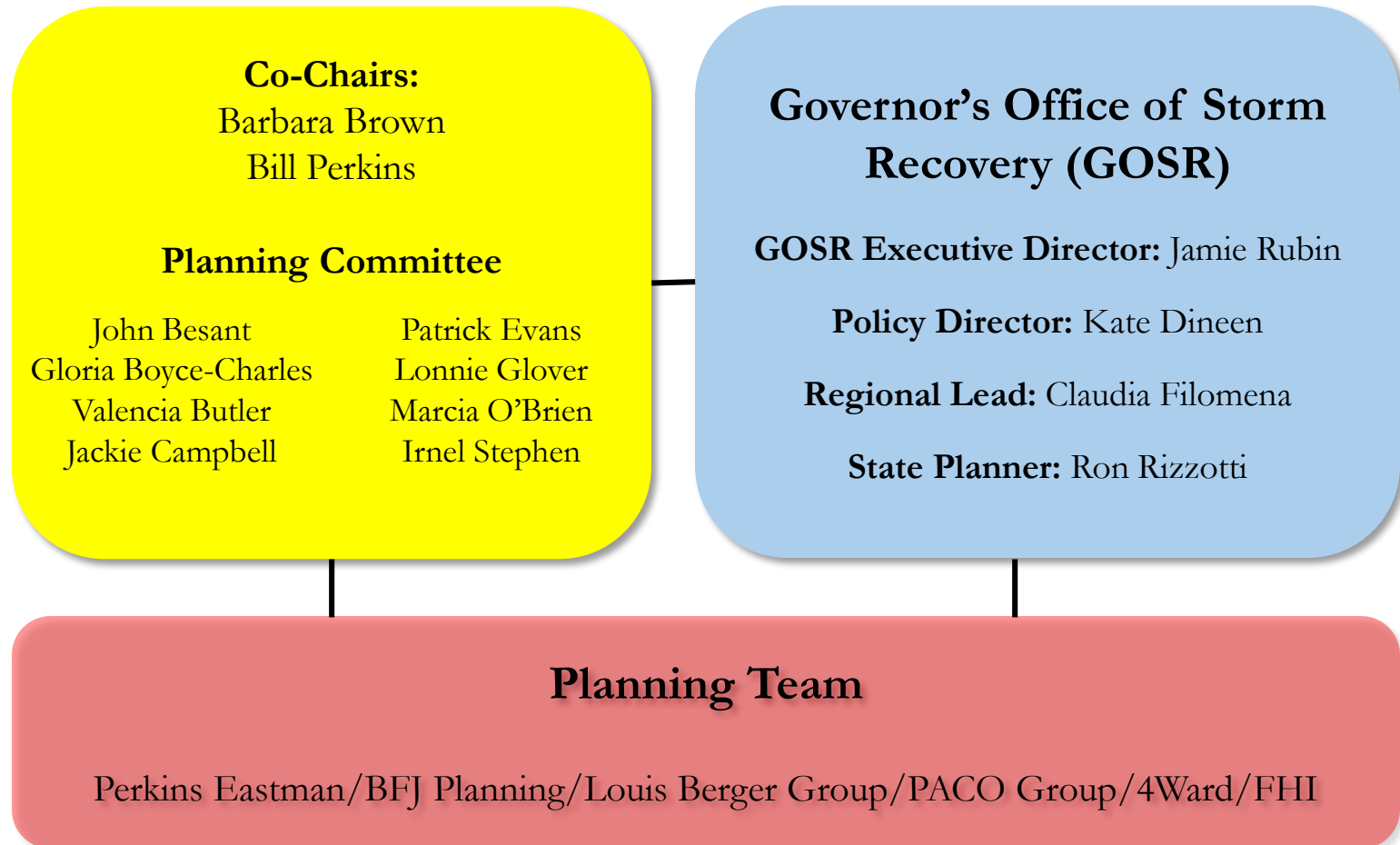


# Agenda for Tonight

- 1. Introduction and Welcome (7:30 pm)**
- 2. Brief Presentation (7:40 pm)**
  - NYRCR Program Overview
  - Tonight's Objectives
- 3. Open House (7:50 pm)**
  - Comment on Proposed and Featured Projects
- 4. Reporting Back and Next Steps (9:10 pm)**
- 5. Wrap Up (9:30 pm)**



# NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program: Team Members

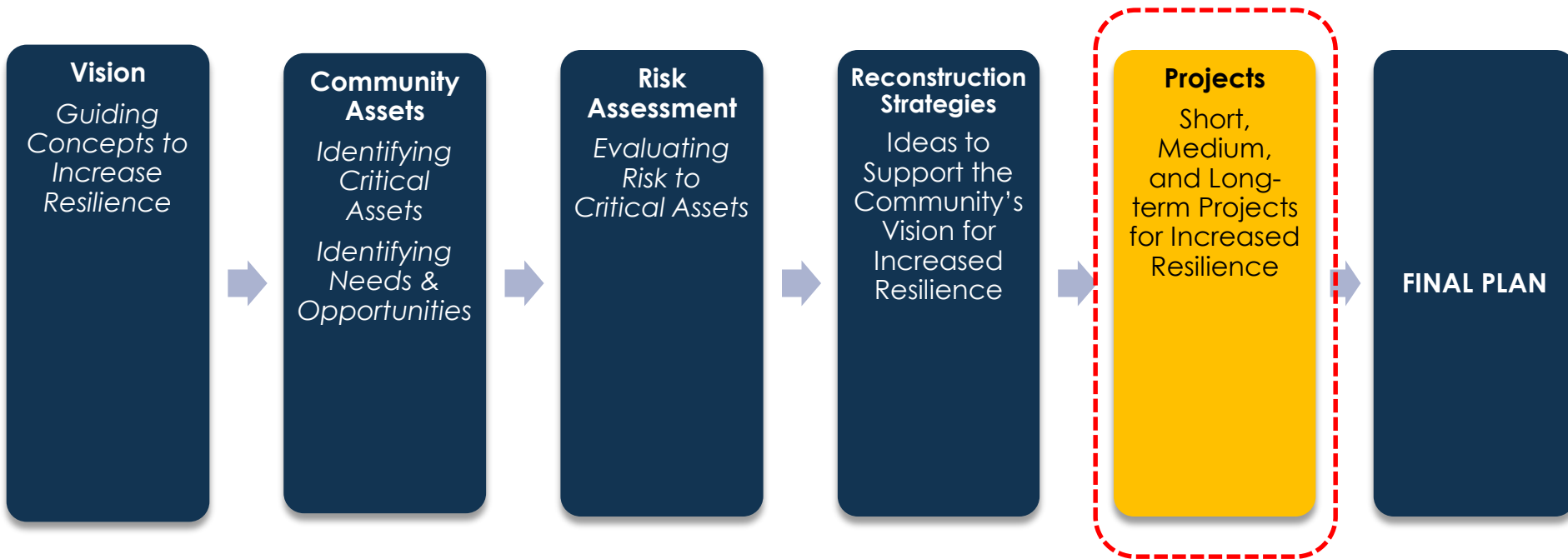


# What is the **NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program?**

- Announced by Governor Cuomo in April 2013 to provide rebuilding and resiliency assistance to communities damaged by ***Hurricane Irene, Tropical Storm Lee, and Superstorm Sandy***
- Goal: *to develop **implementable** reconstruction plans to mitigate future risks and build more physically, socially, and economically resilient communities*
- ***Provides technical assistance to allow communities to direct*** how Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds are spent
- Up to ***\$6 million allocated for projects in Springfield Gardens, Brookville, and Rosedale***



# NYRCCR Plan: Key Elements of the Plan



# Project Categories

## Proposed Projects

Projects proposed for funding through the NYRCR Community's CDBG-DR allocation.

## Featured Projects

Projects where an initial first phase of the project is proposed for CDBG-DR funding; Regulatory reforms and other programs that do not involve capital expenditures.

## Additional Resiliency Recommendations

Resiliency projects and actions the NYRCR Committee would like to highlight for further consideration.



# The Projects: *What's eligible for CDBG-DR Funding*

## Eligible

- Infrastructure
- Government buildings
- Community facilities
- Facilities for socially vulnerable populations
- Economic development activities
- Public service activities
- Program administration
- Home rehabilitation assistance or construction
- Maintenance and repair of public facilities

## Not Eligible

- General government expenses
- Operating costs
- Political activities
- Utility or Mortgage Payments
- Purchase of mobile equipment
- Assistance to a private utility
- Rehabilitation assistance or construction for second homes



# Reconstruction Strategies

## **Strategy A:**

**Alleviate Localized Flooding Conditions**

## **Strategy B:**

**Strengthen the Emergency Response Capacity of the Community**

## **Strategy C:**

**Support Environmental Stewardship of the Community's Natural and Manmade Resources**

## **Strategy D:**

**Provide Safe and Reliable Access to Critical Goods and Services**



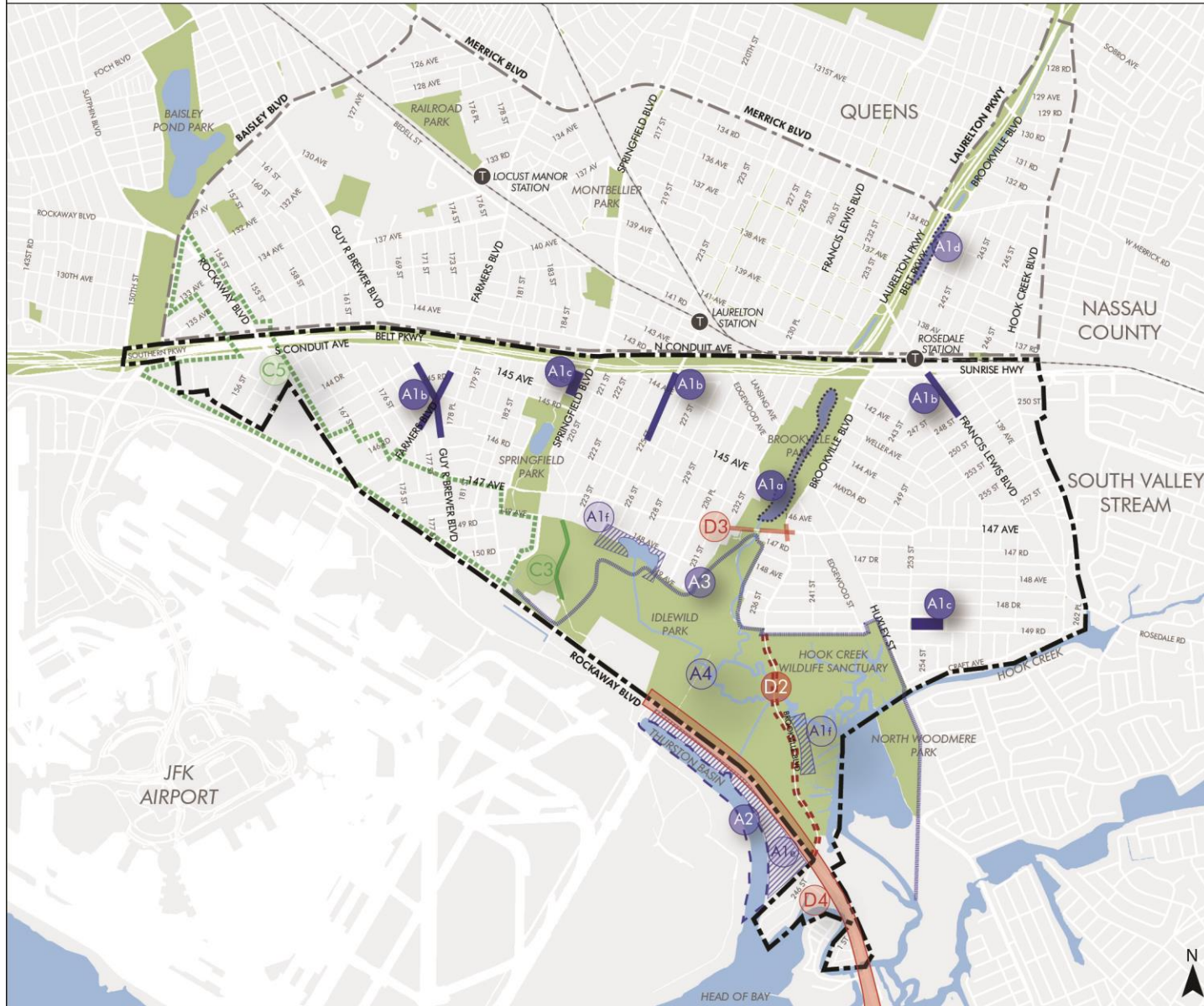


# Adding it all up: the CDBG - DR Allocation



# Projects

## Idlewild Watershed Communities NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program

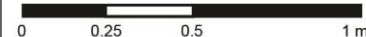


### Legend

- PRIMARY PLANNING AREA
- SECONDARY PLANNING AREA

	STRATEGY			
	A	B	C	D
PROPOSED PROJECT				
FEATURED PROJECT				
ADDITIONAL RESILIENCY PROJECT				

\* SOME PROJECTS ARE NOT MAPPED



## Strategy A:

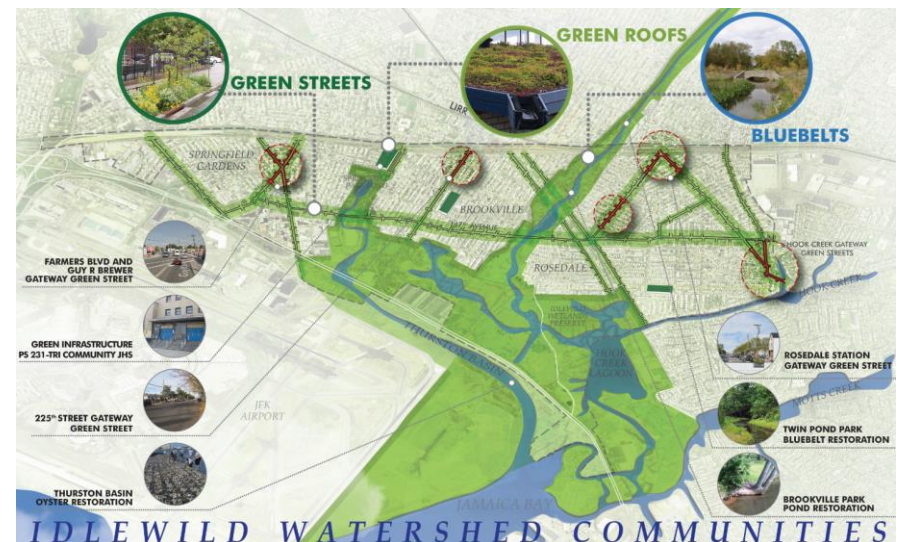
# Alleviate Localized Flooding Conditions

Develop a comprehensive approach to address localized flooding in the Community that:

- Leverages ongoing and planned stormwater infrastructure projects conducted by NYC Agencies
- Identifies projects that will increase stormwater retention capacity of parks and wetlands, address coastal flooding, and expand the green infrastructure network

## Proposed Projects

- Green Infrastructure Community Master Plan
- Brookville Park Pond Restoration
- Community Gateway Green Streets
- Green Infrastructure Pilot Project (Green Roof and Raingarden)





## Strategy B:

# Strengthen the Emergency Response Capacity of the Community

Expand the ability of existing community based organizations to assist in disaster preparation and recovery by:

- Ensuring that critical community facilities have the resources they need to help vulnerable populations recover from major storms
- Expanding the services of local groups to include disaster preparedness and recovery
- Increasing coordination between local groups and NYC OEM to increase the reach of existing educational materials, training programs, and recovery assistance.

## Proposed Projects

- Southeast Queens Disaster Recovery Plan
- Implementation of Selected Recommendations of the Plan





## Strategy C:

# Support Environmental Stewardship of the Community's Natural and Manmade Resources

Provide resources for the Community to promote, support, and enforce stewardship of the environment to foster sustainability and assure that natural and manmade resources can provide protections from flooding by:

- Improving the ecosystems of the Community's parks and wetlands
- Supporting increased enforcement of illegal dumping and other threats to the health of parks, open space, and wetlands
- Expanding educational campaigns about environmental stewardship

## Proposed Projects

- Idlewild Watershed Community Open Space Restoration Fund



## Strategy D:

# Provide Safe and Reliable Access to Critical Goods and Services

Provide for reliable transportation, communication, and backup power networks so that the Community is not isolated from critical goods and services after disasters by:

- Supporting retail/commercial districts so that businesses can quickly recover from disasters and residents have access to essential goods after storms
- Strengthening transportation, energy, and communications networks to improve their ability to operate during and recover more quickly after a disaster
- Strengthening key connections to critical support services and regional shopping districts outside of the Community.

## Proposed Projects

- Install Backup Power Systems at Critical Facilities



# NYRCR Plan: Tonight's Objectives

1. Learn about Projects that the committee has identified for CDBG-DR funding
2. Comment on the Proposed and Featured Projects
3. Express Preference for the Projects that you like best



# Open House: Stations

1. NY Rising Community Reconstruction *Program Overview*
2. *Community Vision* for resilience and recovery
3. *Comment on Proposed and Featured Projects*

*Four Reconstruction Strategies*

Strategy A: Alleviate Localized Flooding Conditions

Strategy B: Strengthen the Emergency Response Capacity

Strategy C: Support Environmental Stewardship

Strategy D: Provide Safe and Reliable Access

4. **Report Back on Projects**





# *We want your feedback!*

1. Fill out a **Comment Form**
2. Visit the Community Reconstruction Program website for more information: *[stormrecovery.ny.gov/nycrcr](http://stormrecovery.ny.gov/nycrcr)*
3. Provide comments on the Community's website:  
*<http://stormrecovery.ny.gov/nycrcr/community/idlewild-watershed-communities>*
4. Email comments to: *[info@stormrecovery.ny.gov](mailto:info@stormrecovery.ny.gov)*
5. Observe a future **Planning Committee Meeting** (next meeting is on December 3)
6. Attend future **Public Engagement Events**

